

The 12 Tenses in English (Printable Grid)

No.	Tense	Time	Basic Definition	Structure	Example
1	Present Simple	Present	Habit, routine, general truth	Subject + base verb (s/es)	She plays football.
2	Present Continuous	Present	Action happening now	Subject + am/is/are + verb + ing	She is playing football.
3	Present Perfect	Present	Action completed recently / result now	Subject + has/have + V3	She has finished her work.
4	Present Perfect Continuous	Present	Action started in past and still continuing	Subject + has/have + been + verb + ing	She has been studying for two hours.
5	Past Simple	Past	Action completed in the past	Subject + V2 (past form)	She played football yesterday.
6	Past Continuous	Past	Action happening at a specific past time	Subject + was/were + verb + ing	She was playing football at 5 pm.
7	Past Perfect	Past	Action completed before another past action	Subject + had + V3	She had finished her work before dinner.
8	Past Perfect Continuous	Past	Action continued before another past action	Subject + had + been + verb + ing	She had been studying for two hours.
9	Future Simple	Future	Action that will happen	Subject + will + base verb	She will play football tomorrow.
10	Future Continuous	Future	Action that will be happening at a future time	Subject + will be + verb + ing	She will be playing football at 5 pm.
11	Future Perfect	Future	Action completed before a future time	Subject + will have + V3	She will have finished her work by 6 pm.
12	Future Perfect Continuous	Future	Action continuing until a future point	Subject + will have been + verb + ing	She will have been studying for two hours.

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